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Subject: RE: Questions on CFAC Superfund Site

I talked with Lisa and she plans to follow up. The comment I shared with her is my suggestion to remove the language regarding making a "judgement" call. Below is the sentence I'm referring to. I think we can just say "It's too early in the process to determine what, if any, affects there may be." Or something like that.

It's far too early in the process to make any judgements to determinations on the affect, but we have not seen anything that would have us put in any interim measures at this time.

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For your review and input.....

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Hi Lisa, Here is my first stab at this.

Everyone else feel free to add or subtract or improve on what I got below.

Thanks
Mike

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To: Cirian, Mike <Cirian.Mike@epa.gov>

Subject: Questions on CFAC Superfund Site

Hi Mike. This Christopher Salas from NBC Montana that you spoke with on the phone recently and here are the questions I have:

1. In layman's terms, what are the most important discoveries that come out from the initial review?

CFAC has provided EPA with the draft of the Phase I "Data Summary Report" and Screening level Ecological Risk. We are in the process of reviewing the report. We don't have any interim comments as of yet as there is a considerable amount of data to go through.

2. This is the first round of sampling, how many steps are there? And where do we go from here after the initial review?

This is Phase 1 of our data summary report and it uses the results from our first round of sampling. We continue to run our quarterly sampling while we develop the Phase II approach. Upon completion of our review we will use this information to help guide any changes necessary on the next phase of the Remedial Investigation. This is process that will take some time. Once we complete the Remedial Investigation we will use that information to produce a Feasibility study. This is planned to be completed by 2021.

3. Do we have enough information to know how this may or may not affect property owners living around the plant?

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You can access this document from a link at the EPA website and a copy currently being made for the repository in the Columbia Falls Library. EPA will be meeting with Columbia Falls City council on April 17th and joining the Community Liaison Panel public meeting on April 19th."

4. Can you make a determination about whether or not this is affecting local drinking water? How much does it impact nearby water sources such as the Flathead River?

As for city of Columbia Falls and their water customers there is no impact as the groundwater is not used for their system. As for folks using the groundwater in the area around the plant we have not seen any impact from any samples to date. But we still have a lot of information to gather before we make any final determinations.

If possible, could you let the media contact know that my deadline is at 2 pm today so this is a matter of urgency.

Thanks for your time Mike!

Christopher Salas